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SENATOR LAMBERT TAKES OATH OF OFFICE AS NEW DISTRICT 18 STATE SENATOR

FOCUSES ON STATE BUDGET ISSUES, INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS AND EDUCATION IN NEW TERM

Eddie Lambert is officially the new state senator for Senate District 18. One of 11 new senate members, the Ascension Parish republican was officially sworn in during an organizational session of the Louisiana State Senate at the State Capitol in Baton Rouge.

Senator Lambert comes to the State Senate after serving three terms in the House of Representative. In the House, Sen. Lambert most recently served on the House Ways and Means Committee and the Committee on Natural Resources and Environment. In the Senate, the practicing attorney will focus on fixing Louisiana's budget problems in an effort to address the state's infrastructure and education needs.

"The suburban areas of Baton Rouge are growing at a phenomenal rate and we must find the money to address our traffic congestion," Sen. Lambert said. "We also need to make sure that our schools, community colleges and universities are adequately funded so that our children can obtain a quality education and the skills necessary to compete in today's economy."

Included on Sen. Lambert's list of infrastructure needs are the widening of LA Highway 30 from Baton Rouge to U.S. Highway 61 in Ascension Parish; developing an interchange at I-10 and LA Highway 74 in Ascension Parish; improving the intersection at I-10 and LA Highway 22; four-laning Highway 70 to the Sunshine Bridge; and improving the Walker-South Road in Livingston Parish.

Sen. Lambert is a graduate of Istrouma High School, LSU and LSU Law School. He has been a practicing attorney since 1982 and served as an assistant district attorney in the 23rd Judicial District. He and wife Marilyn have three children.

Senate District 18 includes parts of Ascension, Livingston and St. James parishes.